

The Poor Man's Party.

To the poor men of the County of Madison :

You are disheartened. You look upon the political strife; and you feel, that there is no political party, which cares for you. Cheer up, brothers! There is one political party which is, emphatically, the poor man's party. The Liberty party is that party. It was organized for the sole purpose of restoring their rights to the poorest of the poor. The fact, that the great political parties of the country had taken away, and were still keeping away, these rights, was the very fact, that called the Liberty party into being. Can you not, then, trust your interests in the hands of this party? How unnatural, that you should pass by this party to give your votes to proslavery parties! How vain for you to hope, that parties, which hold the poor *black* man in slavery, will be true to the poor *white* man! How vain for you to hope, that parties, which choose for civil rulers men, who buy and sell the *black* poor, will be faithful to the rights of the *white* poor!

The proslavery Whig and Democratic parties of this State have just made a Constitution, which they ask you to adopt. Read it, that you may know, how deeply it insults and wrongs honest poverty. They were entreated to make it such a Constitution, as should withhold from no poor man his vote, and as should secure to every poor man his home. Read it—and you will see, that if the colored man be poor, he shall not count among those who are to be represented in the Legislature. He shall count if he have property. But, if he be poor, his poverty shall disqualify him, and shall stamp him: "No MAN." Was ever a grosser insult offered to poverty? Read it—and you will see, that the colored man, if he have land, may vote: but, that if he be poor, he may not vote. How strange, that poor men can brook such an insult to their poverty! Read it—and you will see, that it provides no security for the poor man's home. He and his wife and their little ones may be dragged from it, at the will of a merciless creditor.

How unlike these proslavery parties is the Liberty party! The true hearted members of that Party would be crucified rather than consent to cast their votes for men, who beat, and bind, and buy and sell, God's poor. The true hearted members of that Party pity not only the enslaved poor and the colored poor, but all the poor. The following is one of the Resolutions passed by the Liberty Party of your own County at Morrisville, a few days ago. It was also passed yesterday—and unanimously too—at a Liberty party meeting in Cazenovia.

"Resolved, That Liberty men should never cease, no not for a day, to strive for a New Constitution for the State of New York, so long as its existing Constitution fails to recognize the right of a man to his vote, whatever may be the color of his skin, or the right of a man to his honestly obtained home, whatever the debts he may owe."

Poor men! cast in your lot with the Liberty party. Find your home there. Poor men of Madison County, elect the Madison County Liberty ticket, this Fall. It is in your power to do it. Why not do it? Be true to yourselves. Be true to all the poor:—and God will bless you, and give you victory.

YOUR FRIEND.

PETERBORO, October 17, 1846.

P. S. Poor men of Madison County! come to the Peterboro Meeting next Wednesday.

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